



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Community Planning and Economic Development – Planning Division

Date: April 19, 2012

To: Council Member Gary Schiff, Chair, Zoning & Planning Committee
Committee members Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Reich, Tuthill

Referral to: Zoning and Planning Committee

Subject: Interim Ordinance, Minneapolis Code of Ordinances Chapter 587

Recommendation: Continue to the May 3, 2012, Zoning & Planning Committee meeting

Previous directives: On March 30, 2012, the Minneapolis City Council introduced the subject matter of an ordinance amending Title 21 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to *Interim Ordinances* adding a new Chapter 588 providing for a moratorium on large-scale development within neighborhood commercial nodes and along community corridors in the Linden Hills Neighborhood to protect the small area planning process that has commenced in Linden Hills.

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Community Impact:

- Neighborhood Notification: Notice of the Zoning & Planning public hearing was provided on April 11, 2012.
- City Goals: Implements and is consistent with the following City Goals: Jobs and Economic Vitality; Livable Communities, Healthy Lives; Eco-Focused.
- Comprehensive Plan: Implements and is consistent with *The Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth*.
- Zoning Code: To be determined.

Background/Supporting Information: The city council is concerned that large-scale developments could negatively affect the established character within the Linden Hills neighborhood's commercial nodes, along its community corridors, and in close proximity to these land use features. The neighborhood and the city have begun the process of establishing a small area plan. The city finds that this interim ordinance should be adopted to protect this planning process and the health, safety and welfare of the citizens.